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AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO CONTINUE HERVE
J. L'HEUREUX TO SERVE AS CHIEF OF THE VISA DIVISION FOR
AN ADDITIONAL YEAR COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 1951

JULY 16, 1951.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered
to be printed

Mr. RICHARDS, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, submitted
the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 4674]

The Committee on Foreign Affairs to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4674) authorizing the Secretary of State to continue Herve J. L'Heureux to serve as Chief of the Visa Division for an additional year commencing September 1, 1951, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

Mr. L'Heureux is a Foreign Service officer, class 1, presently serving as Chief of the Visa Division. Under section 571 (a) of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, his assignment to the Department will terminate on September 2, 1951. This legislation is necessary to extend his service in his present post.

Since his entry into the Foreign Service in 1930, Mr. L'Heureux has taken a special interest in visa matters and is recognized as an expert in that field. As Chief of the Visa Division, Mr. L'Heureux has worked closely with the House Committee on the Judiciary on many problems which have arisen in the administration of the immigration laws, particularly with reference to problems involving the issuance of visas. That committee has recently completed hearings on a bill to revise the immigration and naturalization laws of the United States. Should it become law, it will necessitate substantial revisions of the rules and regulations of the Visa Division. Mr. L'Heureux is thoroughly familiar with the many provisions of that bill and his experience will prove invaluable in drafting the necessary revisions. He has been particularly helpful in arranging for the movement of displaced persons.

This bill was introduced by the chairman of the Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization of the House Committee on the Judiciary. A companion bill has been introduced in the Senate by Senator McCarran. Both measures have the approval of the Department of State.

